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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary, Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, WC Docket No. 11-42

Cox Communications, Inc. ("Cox") submits this notice to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") on behalf of its wholly owned subsidiaries listed in Attachment A ("Telcom Entities"). Cox obtained eligible telecommunications carrier designations in the names of its Telcom Entities in 14 states and has been providing Lifeline voice services in those states for several years. Cox's Telcom Entities, however, do not provide broadband Internet access services ("BIAS") in any state and have no plans to provide Lifeline-discounted BIAS offerings in any of the census blocks in which they provide Lifeline voice service. Accordingly, Cox, on behalf of its Telcom Entities, must avail itself of the blanket forbearance relief granted in the Lifeline Broadband Order.¹

Cox provides BIAS offerings through other wholly owned subsidiaries and intends to seek Lifeline Broadband Provider designations from the FCC on behalf of these entities to provide Lifeline-discounted BIAS offerings.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ See Lifeline and Link-Up Reform and Modernization, Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Rcd 3962 at 4075, paras. 301, 313 (2016). See also, Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Effective Dates Following Approval by the Office of Management and Budget of Lifeline Rules in the Lifeline Modernization Order, Public Notice, DA 16-1133 (rel. Oct. 3, 2016).

Attachment A Cox Telcom Entities

Cox Arizona Telcom, LLC

Cox Arkansas Telcom, LLC

Cox California Telcom, LLC

Cox Connecticut Telcom, LLC

Cox Florida Telcom, LP

Cox Georgia Telcom, LLC

Cox Iowa Telcom, LLC

Cox Kansas Telcom, LLC

Cox Louisiana Telcom, LLC

Cox Nebraska Telcom, LLC

Cox Nevada Telcom, LLC

Cox Oklahoma Telcom, LLC

Cox Rhode Island Telcom, LLC

Cox Virginia Telcom, LLC